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August 5, 2024

VIA ECF

Honorable Jennifer L. Rochon, U.S.D.J. **United States District Court** Southern District of New York 500 Pearl Street, Room 1920 New York, New York 10007

> Scott Cawthon v. Dinh Duc Manh Re: Docket No.: 1:24-cv-03506-JLR

Dear Judge Rochon:

Our office represents plaintiff Scott Cawthon ("Plaintiff") in the above-captioned matter. We write to provide the Court with an update on the status of the case. We are writing to provide the Court with an update regarding the status of this matter as well as to respectfully request that the Court adjourn the pretrial conference that is set to take place on August 14th for the reasons stated below.

On May 8, 2024 [ECF 5], the Court ordered that (1) parties shall appear for an initial pretrial conference on August 14, 2024 at 11:30 a.m.; and (2) parties shall confer and file a joint letter, no later than ten (10) calendar days before the conference date. Pursuant to the Order, on May 13, 2024, Plaintiff caused a copy of that order to be served upon defendant Dinh Duc Manh ("Defendant"). [ECF 9].

However, to date, Defendant has not responded or otherwise appeared in this case. Accordingly, July 19, 2024, Plaintiff filed a Motion for Substitute Service [ECF 10, 10-1]. Thus, we respectfully request that the initial pretrial conference be adjourned indefinitely pending Defendant's appearance in this matter.

We thank the Court for its time and attention to this matter.

The request is GRANTED. The initial pre-trial conference on August 14, 2024, is adjourned without date. The Court will set a new date for the conference upon ruling on Plaintiff's motion for alternative service (Dkt. 10).

Dated: August 6, 2024 New York, New York

SO ORDERED.

JENNIEER L. ROCHON United States District Judge Respectfully submitted,

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